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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.:

09/829730

Filed on:

April 10, 2001

Entitled:

PREPARATION OF CIGS-BASED SOLAR CELLS USING A BUFFERED

**ELECTRODEPOSITION BATH** 

Inventors:

Raghu Nath Bhattacharya

1. Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor-signed specification of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed. I hereby verify that the papers are a true copy of the latest signed specification of the prior application number 09/829730, filed April 10, 2001, and further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are made punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

2. The preliminary amendment is enclosed. The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application:

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## 7. Amend the specification :

## RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of Patent Application Serial No. 09/829730 filed April 10, 2001, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No.60/195956, filed April 10, 2000, and whose entire contents are hereby incorporated by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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